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The slow death of the most British thing there is

Almost 30 years ago, the New York Times nodded to a curious trend that many older English folks were growing concerned about. One of the most guintessentially British pastimes was losing its luster¹, largely because it was falling out of favor with younger people who hadn't the time - or really the interest - to prolong the tradition. "We're a graving bunch, we tea drinkers, I'm afraid," Derek Cooper, a well-known British food writer in his 60s, told the newspaper.

Cooper was a tea lover, but his kids preferred coffee. And that dynamic was growing all too common. Between the mid-1970s and the 1980s, tea consumption fell by 20 percent in the United Kingdom. Meanwhile, the country's taste for coffee was blossoming, so much so, in fact, that in 1986 coffee sales in the U.K. outpaced tea sales for the first time in history. [...]

There are many reasons for the decline of one of the most celebrated tea drinking cultures in the world, but both one of the simplest and most significant might be this: tea, or really the kind of tea that has traditionally been drunk in the United Kingdom, is

15 seen as being, well, kind of lame.²

> "It has a serious image problem here," said London-based Emma Clifford, who is the senior food and drink analyst at Mintel, an industry research group. "People, especially young people, are not excited about it at all. It's just too mundane." [...]

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¹ attraction

^{2 (}here) boring, uninteresting, uncool

Before the British were abandoning their favorite pastime, they were going to battle for its preservation. In the 1970s, right around the time that consumption of standard black 20 tea was hovering around record levels, a workplace dispute became a question of great national interest. Tea breaks had been a part of the British workday since at least the late 1700s, when workers brewed sugar-infused pots to keep their energy up. But suddenly they were under attack. Or rather, the leisure with which they were enjoyed was.

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An effort, led by then-Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, aimed to shorten the daily breaks, which they argued were weighing British productivity down. It was, in some senses, a revolt against the old British system by the new order. But tea breaks were held in high regard, especially among those who enjoyed them: workers. Tea time was

30 considered a perk³, just as paid holidays, medical care, and reasonable wages were. And so the effort to scale it back met fierce opposition, particularly from trade unions, which led to a series of "tea break strikes".

The battle to preserve tea breaks was, of course, lost — they are no longer the staple they once were. And that defeat seems to have reverberated for decades, making its way from the workplace to just about every other place in British society. [...]

Meanwhile, just across the Atlantic, Americans are fawning over tea. Sales of tea quintupled between 1999 and 2013, according to data from Euromonitor. And they continue to grow. Just last year, the market for black tea grew by 5 percent in the United States.

40 Everything is relative. Even the coolness of standard black tea.

Roberto A. Ferdman, The Washington Post, May 4, 2016

1. Compréhension de l'écrit (10 points)

Give an account of the text, in English and in your own words.

2. Expression écrite (10 points)

Vous traiterez, en anglais et en 120 mots au moins, l'un des deux sujets suivants, au choix.

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Sujet A

In the comment section below the article *The slow death of the most British thing there is*, you have read three different reactions posted by readers of the article.

Which one do you agree most with? Explain why and support your point of view with arguments and examples.



"Is Britain really becoming a coffeedrinking country? So what? We live in a global world!"

"I believe that tradition and change can co-exist."

Sujet B

"Americans are loud... Germans drink a lot of beer... Italians are passionate... English people love talking about the weather... etc."

What is your opinion on nationality stereotypes? Why do they exist? Why are they so common? Are they wrong? Are they harmful or just funny? Illustrate your point of view with examples.